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1. A preparatory committee of sheikhs for the Hilla tribal meeting reportedly drew up resolutions along lines agreed to by Prime Minister Saleh Jabr in advance of the meeting. The conference accepted the resolutions by acclamation.
2. This move by Jabr to obtain tribal support was a failure. As a result of resentment directed toward him because of the method he employed, the opposition consisting of the Sunni tribes and certain government officials has been strengthened. In addition, a growing conviction exists among the highest quarters that Jabr has emphasized the importance of the Palestine question to the detriment of Iraq's national interests.
3. [REDACTED] the Hilla conference has resulted in more national disunity than solidarity with regard to the Palestine problem.

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25X1A6a [REDACTED] Comment: [REDACTED] 25X1A2g suggested that the Hilla meeting was not a spontaneous gathering prompted by widespread tribal feeling over the Palestine question but a move on the part of Saleh Jabr to gain general support of the tribes, which he had lacked previously. Moreover, the information presented here tends to confirm the idea that the meeting, in effect, accomplished nothing.

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